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ROOM 2715

FOR: MRS. ALICE HODGES

19 BRENTON STREET

DORCHESTER, MASSACHUSETTS

TEL: 436-4834

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CDES (HODGES, EDWARD)

SUBJ: DEATH: EDWARD HODGES

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF YOUR NEPHEW, EDWARD HODGES, THE WARDEN AT KLONG PREM PRISON, BANGKOK INFORMED THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AT BANGKOK ON 11/15/76 HIS DEATH WAS CAUSED BY SEPTICEMIA. HE DIED IN THE HOSPITAL AT KLONG PREM PRISON.

2. MR. HODGES HAD NO PERSONAL EFFECTS.

3. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES PROMPT ARRANGEMENTS FOR BURIAL OR THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR NEPHEW REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO BOSTON AIRPORT WOULD COST \$2,100. CREMATION AND AIR SHIPMENT CREMAINS TO U.S. WOULD COST \$200. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED, THE COST IS \$250 TO \$900 DEPENDING ON THE SITE OF PLOT. THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL IS \$250. ALL OF THESE COST ARE APPROXIMATE.

4. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TELEGRAPH FUNDS

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AND INSTRUCTION TO DICRECOR, SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES, DEPART-

MENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C. INCULDE IN YOUR MESSAGE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED AND NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL HOME IN U.S., IF SHIPMENT THERE IS DESIRED. TELEGRAPHIC MONEY ORDER SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

5. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY THREE TO SEVEN DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

6. IF NECESSARY YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS POST BY PHONING 2525040 IN BANGKOK.

7. BE ASSURED OF OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.  
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